

230BC

DURANT

In 230BC Rome took her 1st step toward the conquest of Greece by clearing the Adriatic of pirates and seizing a part of the Illyrian coast as a further protection for Italian trade. Safe now on south and east, she resolved to drive the Gauls over the Alps and make Italy a completely united state. To secure herself on the west she signed a treaty

with HASDRUBAL by which the Carthaginians in Spain agreed to stay south of the Ebro River, and at the same time she made an alliance with the semi Greek towns of SAGUNTUM and AMPURIAS in Spain. In the following year (225 BC) a Gallic army swept down the peninsula.

230 BC

Consuls:

M. Aemilius Barbula

M. Junius Pera

230BC \Rightarrow 221BC

From the ashes there emerged a centralized ^{China} autocratic state under the direction of Prince Zheng of the half-barbarous northern kingdom of Qin. In a series of swift and decisive military campaigns between 230 and 221BC, Zheng triumphed over all of his rivals, who remained hopelessly disunited to the end; then assuming the name of QIN SHI HUANG DI ("AUGUST SOVEREIGN OF THE QIN"), he ruthlessly welded the conquered kingdoms into

the first unified Chinese Empire in history.
Over the next decade, the despotic Shi Huangdi
and his advisors introduced a host of reforms
designed to root out the remnants of
feudalism and consolidate their new empire
by dividing it into commanderies, destroying
the old defensive walls between states,
confiscating weapons from the vast armies
of mercenaries who had fought in civil
wars (the melted metal was cast into 12 huge statues),
burning every volume of history & philosophy and
eventually every book in the empire except treatises on
agriculture, medicine and divination.

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Buoyancy

Archimedes determined the law of flotation, proving that solids may be supported by the buoyancy of liquids and gases.

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pirate states.

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CELTS

Eumenes' nephew Attalos I defeats
the Galatians in the Caicos valley
and has the so-called great Sallic
consecration - gift put up in
the shrine to Athena in Pergamon

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War on ILLYRIAN pirates

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The Greek philosopher ERATOSTHENES worked out the circumference of the Earth to be 25,000 miles by studying shadows cast by the sun at different places on the same day!

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Rome sent 200 warships to inflict punishment on the Illyrian pirates but the king of Macedonia was offended, for the Illyrians were his allies.

A few yrs later Rome had to intervene again